

Maggie Bowman delights Ambassador Helms, as Secretary Wisner seems to be saying defensively, "Well, I don't know about that."

# Hard-Hitting Speeches Mark Third National Intelligence Symposium

There were no illusions at the third annual National Intelligence Symposium held at Naples, Florida, in late January. Without hysterics, speaker after speaker offered careful analysis of the role of the USSR in fostering world subversion and disorder.

The symposium, coordinated by AFIO and sponsored by the *Naples Daily News* and Palmer Communications, drew an enthusiastic audience of over two hundred fifty and received extensive media coverage.

John Barron, senior editor of *Reader's Digest* and author of the best-selling "KGB Today," charged that the Soviet Union, suffering from wide-scale corruption and a lack of competitive technology, attempts to secure its goals by creating world unrest. According to Barron, the USSR's secret intelligence services have been successful in creating such schisms, particularly in American society. They legitimize certain groups, he said, creating popular pressures that limit the power of US leaders, he said.

Barron questioned whether the media is fulfilling its national role as the Fourth Estate, and said some in the press appear "to be at odds with the mainstream of public opinion," tilting in favor of those critical of the government. He urged the audience to pressure those in the media who do not report issues fairly, and to demonstrate to the Congress, through the electoral process, support for the nation's crucial first line of defense against subversion—US intelligence.

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# Wisner Briefs AFIO On Africa Developments

An off-the-record, insider's analysis of recent trends and developments in Africa brought new, and sometimes frightening, understanding to those in attendance at AFIO's spring luncheon, April 9th.

The speaker, The Honorable Frank G. Wisner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, interpreted also recent diplomatic moves that have heralded success for the administration's efforts to reverse Soviet expansionism and block communist subversion on the African continent.

At the conclusion of the formal briefing Secretary Wisner entertained questions from AFIO members sharing deep familiarity of the African political scene. His answers were equally frank, though also off-the-record.

Less guarded here is the reaction of the overflow crowd at the Bolling AFB Officers' Club to Ambassador Richard Helms' introduction of the speaker. Polite response greeted his description of Wisner's long and honorable government service, but it was Helms' personal, if nostalgic, assessment of Secretary Wisner as "a chip off the old block," that released a wave of emotion and sustained applause that was, indeed, "forthe-record."

# NATIONAL LAUNCHES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Enclosed with this issue of Periscope are two AFIO brochures. We would certainly appreciate it if every member would sign up two new members for AFIO. Since that is unlikely, we hope to add six hundred new members by the 10th annual Convention in October, 1984. Six hundred new members would swell our ranks to four thousand. We have considered this to be a reasonable target as we borrow from the Marine Corps recruiting phrase—"AFIO can use a few good members." Please note that the current brochure lists all the current members of the Board of Directors and the Officers. Please use this current application and sign the line of recommendation so that we may keep track of our most active recruiter and acknowledge this member at the convention.

-John K. Greaney, Executive Director

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# New Face, Same Line, Says AFIO President Larkin

Speaking of the recent Soviet elevation of Chernenko to succeed Andropov, General Richard X. Larkin, former deputy director of the Defense Intelligence Agency and president of AFIO, noted:

"We have a new face to contend with, a new photograph to put on the cover of *Time* magazine, but we've got to remember that the personality is the same—it's Lenin with whom we are dealing."

In a carefull analysis of Soviet succession, Larkin speculated that Andropov died long before the official announcement of the Soviet leader's death in February. Of the view of some Kremlinolgists that Chernenko's trip to East Germany in mid-January was to bolster image and improve chances of replacing Andropov, Larkin scoffed, "Don't you believe it. No one of those sinister contenders would dare turn his back or leave the seat of power, much less the country, for 15 minutes unless the issue had already been decided." To support this view, he noted that on December 26, the newspaper Kommunist published articles praising Chernenko's speeches at a June 1983 event-not Andropov's. "No editor, in that society, is going to ignore what the big cheese said at a major political meeting unless he knows what's really going on . . . Six weeks prior to the formal announcement, Andropov, dead or alive, was no longer in power and Chernenko was." [General Larkin's speech will appear in a forthcoming issue of Reserve Officer magazine.]



### Phillips Urges Assault on "Root Causes"

Today, when the United States deals with leftists in Nicaragua and Central America, said AFIO founder David Atlee Phillips, it is not dealing with just Marxists or Cubans; it is a confrontation with the Soviet Union.



#### Wannell Warns of "Year of the Terrorist"

Terrorists may be tempted to strike at four events this year, according to W. Raymond Wannell, former assistant director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They are, he said, the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco, the Republican National Convention in Dallas, the World's Fair in New Orleans and the Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.

"There are such attractive targets this year, the possibility is great for terrorism in 1984," he said. A long-time observer of violent subversive groups operating in the United States, Wannell expressed concern about a new type of terrorist—the Shiite Moslem who takes his cues from Iran's Khomeini or Libya's Khadafy. Those leaders do not have to speak directly to the terrorists, he said, they only need to criticize publicly something they want to be a target for attack by their fanatical followers. With good intelligence and surveillance, Wannell explained, the FBI might be able to prevent most traditional terrorist attacks, but defense against such fanatics is another matter. "We don't understand the suicidal terrorist, really," he added.

The former FBI official had concern for the FBI's inability to conduct intelligence operations against suspect domestic organizations unless there is evidence linking them to violent acts. He observed that several organizations he personally considers subversive are helping to organize mass demonstrations near the upcoming national political conventions. Such groups, Wannell said, have received a new lease on life, while the FBI's hands remain tied. He expressed hope that the future will see improved recognition and support in Washington of the need for FBI efforts against the terrorists.

The United States has only three options in Central America, said the former chief of CIA's Latin America Division: abandon ship, send in the marines to protect US interests, or work for benefits that will materialize only over the long term.

Acknowledging that there is much validity to the argument that poverty and malnutrition are root causes of problems there, Phillips endorsed the recommendations of the Kissinger Commission on Central America which said the United States should stabilize the region with some \$8.4 billions in economic aid over a five year period. Phillips stressed the importance of the Commission's findings as a bipartisan consensus of the Soviet threat to Central America and of the need to target the native problems of malnutrition and injustice.

# GNY Chapter Warned of News Warp by Communist Bloc

by Ray Hoffman

Best-selling author and journalist Arnaud de Borchgrave, blasting the news media for their "faulty memories with near-zero feedback," highlighted the February meeting of the Greater New York Chapter of AFIO.

de Borchgrave, whose thinly-veiled fictional accounts of Soviet and Cuban intelligence activity (*The Spike*, and *Monimbo*, both co-authored with Robert Moss) have dealt heavily with media disinformation, claims the most influential editors and reporters in both the printed and broadcast press have deliberately practiced "censorship by omission," the suppression of "inconvenient facts" which clash with their preconceived political notions.

de Borchgrave says Grenada offers a case-in-point. He says the media have virtually ignored the presence of thousands of documents, captured on Grenada, detailing the extent of Soviet bloc involvement. That so little has been written or broadcast about these documents, de Borchgrave says, confirms the brazen manipulation of the media, Congress and the various Social Democratic parties of the West by "known Cuban agents." The former senior *Newsweek* editor also decries the almost unreported story of the Miami grand jury investigation into the connection between Cuba, the Spanish-language division of the Soviet KGB and the growing drug trade operating out of south Florida.

de Borchgrave also accuses most of his fellow journalists of having what could end up being a "terminal" case of naivete concerning the Soviet Union. He says many reporters, even experienced ones, have developed "very convenient" cases of amnesia when it comes to dealing with news out of Moscow.

de Borchgrave says the widely-circulated "closet-liberal" stories about Yuri Andropov, when Andropov came to power, were only the most recent in a series of inaccuracies. He cites stories of the time viewing Stalin as a "moderate" versus the hard-liner Trotsky; that Malenkov was also described as a moderate; that Khrushchev was called "a pragmatist who would turn inward;" that Brezhnev, too, was called a pragmatist; and that Andropov, besides being a fan of Glenn Miller and a connoisseur of good Scotch, was "desperate to get out of Afghanistan."

The media, de Borchgrave says, have missed the point that we're "dealing not with a man but with a system; a group of people who consider themselves militants in an historical movement that existed before them, and will outlive them." He says the media have also been taken in by giving too much credibility to Communist sources, like the allegedly "independent" Soviet commentator who appears frequently on the ABC-TV program "Nightline." After all, reminds de Borchgrave, it was Lenin who called telling the truth a "petty bourgeois habit." He added, "I wonder if "Nightline" host Ted Koppel knows that?"

[Ray Hoffman, a professional journalist with the Wall Street Journal Radio Network, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Greater New York Chapter.]

# TERRORIST THREAT REAL SAYS AFIO'S BUCKELEW

This year raises major challenges to US efforts to contain terrorism, says AFIO member Alvin H. Buckelew. Writing in the February issue of *Security Management* magazine, he warns that "prudence mandates sweeping changes... to enhance the ability of US law enforcement agencies to cope with the anticipated terrorism."

Buckelew, director of the security management program at Golden State University, notes that "everyone recognizes the peril surrounding the 1984 Olympics," but observes that preparations to meet that threat have been marked by "bureaucratic squabbling." "The time left to resolve the Los Angeles problem and to address the larger questions of what the US can do to minimize the impact of coming domestic terrorism is dangerously short," he warns.

The article also examines similar threats to the national political conventions to be held this year, and details the writer's views of what must be done to close the gap.

Buckelew's comments on intelligence are particularly noteworthy:

"In the intelligence field, as elsewhere, the US is currently unable to bring all its resources to bear on the terrorism problem. Even when key resources are available, the United States has a naive tendency to underestimate the determination of terrorists. The only safe posture is one that assumes something worse than the worst scenario is going to occur."

He makes a telling argument for increased coordination and cooperation between both American and foreign intelligence organizations and a sharing of terrorist information domestically.

"During congressional hearings, the point was made repeatedly that the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) restricts the flow of intelligence. Many state and local law enforcement agencies with vital information regarding terrorist groups refuse to share that information with federal agencies for fear of seeing it made public some day. FOIA needs to be amended by legislation to improve the flow of intelligence.

"Conversely, the federal government frequently withholds intelligence from local law enforcement agencies. The CIA has access to a great deal of information regarding the personnel and methods of transnational terrorist groups, but is prohibited from conveying it to state and local law enforcement authorities. New methods ensuring the CIA-developed information is transmitted to domestic security forces on a need-to-know basis would place the US in a better position to cope with terrorism within the nation," Buckelew urges.

[The issue containing Dr. Buckelew's article may be ordered directly from *Security Management*, Suite 1200, 1655 North Ft. Myer Drive, Arlington, Va. 22209, for \$3.00 plus \$1.50 for postage and handling.]

# **Board Membership Rotation**

(Second of a three-part series)

by Richard W. Bates, Member of AFIO's Board of Directors

I am happy to report that the first of this three-part series produced some results. I received a very thoughtful letter from Jack Thomas of Washington, DC. John Greaney received a short, but very helpful letter from Quinn Matthewson of California. In addition to the letter from Laurence Roberts of California which I mentioned last time, Ray Wannall received a lengthy letter with a number of helpful suggestions from Charles White of Virginia. AFIO Headquarters has received an excellent resolution on the subject from the Arizona chapter. All of these have been made available to all members of the Board of Directors. These communications, and other material prepared for the Board, have been provided to the Advisory Council. The Council has prepared a detailed recommendation on the subject which has been distributed to all members of the Board. I understand that there have also been six telephone calls. Such a show of interest is gratifying.

The issue for discussion here is the current status of the Board of Directors. The rotation of members is out of kilter and we need to correct that. There are a number of ways to do it, two of which I will discuss. But we also need to make changes which will preclude it happening again. The Articles of Incorporation as now written do not provide the flexibility needed, and I will discuss that also.

The membership of the current Board of Directors is shown in the box. A count shows that eleven vacancies occur in 1984, five in 1985 and four in 1986. This year over half the Board could be replaced in a single election. We have had some resignations. We have had a death. We have elevated one member to the Honorary Board. We have increased the size of the Board. There may be other reasons. I understand that some of the telephone calls received challenged my statement about how we got to where we are, and perhaps I am wrong. But that's history. Let's get on with correcting it.

Normally, a Board of Directors is constituted so that there is an uneven number of members and so that an equal number of vacancies will occur each year. The objective of having staggered terms is to maintain continuity. For a three year term board, the total number should ideally be 3, 9, 15 or 21. The size of the Board is normally determined by the By-laws so that as the size of the organization changes, the membership can easily change the Board size to match.

The Articles of Incorporation establish the rotation of one third of the board each year but allow only three members to the Board. The Articles do recognize this three member board as the initial board and the implication is that it will expand. The By-laws establish a board of not less than 15 nor more than 20 members, but there is no provision for increasing the number of Board members in the Articles of Incorporation. We need to change the Articles to remove the three-member limit and to legalize the use of the By-laws to establish the size of the Board. We need to change the By-laws to



limit the Board to a maximum of 21, rather than 20 members. Or, perhaps we don't need 21 members for this organization. Perhaps the maximum number should be fifteen or even fewer.

While the By-laws allow the Board to designate the term of office of each member, there is no latitude in designating a term other than three years. The Articles of Incorporation are explicit in saying that subsequent to the initial board, all directors will serve for three years. We need to change the Articles to allow for terms other than three years and to allow for new members to be elected to fill unexpired terms.

With those changes there would be twelve vacancies which could be filled at the 1984 Convention. With the flexibility in designating terms of office allowed by the changes, we could fill all twelve but limit the terms of two to one year, three to two years, and the remaining seven to the full three years. The individuals receiving the greatest number of votes would serve the longest terms. This arrangement, coupled with the authority given the Board by the proposed changes, would establish a proper rotation of seven members each year beginning at the 1985 convention and make it possible for the Board to maintain that proper rotational balance.

Another option which the Board has discussed, and which the Advisory Council recommends in their report, is to fill only a portion of the vacancies. We could fill six in 1984, bringing the total down to the minimum of fifteen, then elect seven in each following year. This can be done without changing the Articles or By-laws. This solution will solve the balance problem, but it does not provide a mechanism to keep the imbalance from occurring again. Action to do that must be taken separately.

The Board has not yet decided on the number of vacancies to fill at the next convention. Regardless of how many vacancies are to be filled this year, I favor changing the Articles and By-laws at the 1984 convention to allow for filling unexpired terms and for the Board to designate some terms of less than three years. We can then hold the election either way. We can fill all the vacancies, or just a portion. But in either case future Boards will be able to maintain a proper rotational balance.

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Vacant *	1981	1984
Ann Caracristi	1983	1986
John J. Davis	1981	1984
Lee Echols	1981	1984
Bobby R. Inman	1982	1985
Lyman B. Kirkpatrick	1983	1984
Derek A. Lee	1981	1984
Walter L. Pforzheimer	1981	1984
David Atlee Phillips	1983	1986
Vacant *	1981	1984
Robert B. Pirie, Jr.	1981	1984
George Scatterday	1982	1985
John Anson Smith	1983	1986
Eugene F. Tighe	1981	1984
Louis W. Tordella	1981	1984
John S. Warner	1981	1984
W. Raymond Wannall	1981	1984
George R. Weinbrenner	1982	1985

<sup>\*</sup>These two seats are vacant due to the resignation of Stanton V. Phillips and Cecil Byrom.

There are a number of other minor issues which could be included in any major overhaul of the Articles and the By-laws and there is the other major issue — voting procedures. I will discuss these issues in the third article of this series. By that time we should have a resolution from the Board which reflects all the suggestions we have received from the membership and the recommendations of the Advisory Council. That resolution will be printed, in full, in the next *Periscope* so that when members arrive at the 1984 convention they will be prepared to vote to accept or reject it.

Next: Election Procedures.



# From the Executive Director . . .

John K. Greaney

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors has reviewed chapter organization and asked Board member George Scatterday to prepare a Chapter Manual that would assist in making the chapter procedures uniform throughout the organization. At the present time, procedures vary in how and when elections take place in the chapters as well as for how long a term an officer will serve. Some chapters have a program of progression in which an individual is elected to first or second vice president one year, move up and ultimately serve as the chapter president in a succeeding year. We would like to have suggestions from our members.

We still have a problem with chapters listing individuals as local members when they have been dropped from the national membership.

It really helps to coordinate chapter activities; this was done effectively with the Claire Sterling visits. We look to the chapters as the means of expanding the AFIO education program in a manner which best suits their environment.

We sincerely hope that the chapters will take an active role in the membership drive. Headquarters can furnish zip-code sorted lists of members if chapters tell us what zip-codes are included in their respective areas.

We hope all members will make an effort to recruit new members for AFIO. Our current members are the best sales people for the growth of the organization.

The second pamphlet of The Intelligence Profession Series, "National Security and the First Amendment" by John S. Warner, is now available. The text is invaluable for classroom discussion, and it is our feeling schools and universities should be provided with the pamphlets at no cost as part of the AFIO Education Project. (The pamphlet is not designed for high school audiences unless they are to be used by groups engaged in debates.) Because of the specialized nature of the information and to reduce costs, the pamphlet will not be mass-mailed to all members. Rather, those desiring single copies for themselves or multiple copies for academic use should write for them. We will send single copies by first class mail; bulk mailings will be shipped via third class.

If you want to take advantage of the Westview Press offer for a 20% discount on George Constantinides' *Intelligence and Espionage*, as offered in the last *News Commentary*, the publisher asks that you identify yourself as an AFIO member and include \$1.50 for postage, for a total of \$49.50. The book normally sells for \$60.00.

# On the Intelligence Bookshelf . . .

Current books of interest to intelligence buffs and watchers of the world scene. All reviews are by AFIO members except when otherwise noted.

## Golitsyn — "Indispensable Reading"

New Lies for Old, by Anatolyi Golitsyn, New York: Dodd, Mead and Co., 1984, \$19,95

The politics of our day confront men of conscience with hard and sometimes dangerous choices and most severely senior officials of governments in ideological conflict.

Mr. Golitsyn's defection from the elite of the KGB was a premeditated political act of a high moral order. An act not lacking in great courage, not to mention a significant lifelong sacrifice. He left the Soviet Union because he had lost hope in the true purpose and integrity of that government. He was moved by a conviction to warn the West of the new uses which the communist countries had devised in stealth for their improved political, intelligence and military potential and of the new menacing dimensions which these developments added to the Soviet threat. He knowingly accepted the risk that by going to the West at the time he did, he might well suffer the fate of the fabled messenger who brought bad news nobody wanted to hear.

Too much of what he had to tell us about the meaning of the establishment of the Department of Disinformation within the KGB and the reach and scope of the communist threat has been overlooked in the blurred and distorted perspective of detente — the communist manipulation of disinformation, the deployment of agents of influence and controlled sources and channels through which Western foreign policy has been trying to find its way to Africa, the Middle East, Central America, Asia and Afghanistan.

In the sixties, Mr. Golitsyn, from what he knew from inside the KGB, conveyed warnings to the western governments. He cited the Soviet's determination to achieve military superiority; their desire to obtain credits and loans from the West to finance their industrialization and military programs; the inherent dangers of detente as well as the depth of the Soviet-bloc clandestine penetrations in the West. Most of his views were greeted mistakenly with disbelief, even ridicule at the time. In the two decades since, it is not without significance that the grim events of which he gave warning have largely come to pass. Indeed, they provide all too often the routine grist of the day's news.

The warning did not go wholly unheard. The original contribution he has made to the internal security of Western allies has been recognized by them at the highest level of government.

General Sir John Hackett rightly identifies Anatolyi Golitsyn as, "The most valuable defector ever to reach the West." I agree. The judgment was one I reached myself some 23 years ago.

Now, for the first time, Mr. Golitsyn has set forth for wide public scrutiny his knowledge and analysis of Soviet strategy and in particular the Soviet manipulations of disinformation as a masking element in that strategy. His work is based on his unusual access to top secret files, his wide association with Soviet personnel and the intimate knowledge of KGB methodology which he acquired during his long service in that organization.

"New Lies for Old" is indispensable reading for professionals in intelligence and foreign policy. It is hardly less so for all individuals concerned with the nature of the world struggle and not least among them the many who yearn for a painless end to superpower confrontation.

Mr. Golitsyn's revelations should also be notably instructive for bankers and industrialists who still carry optimistically on their books the substantial investments which they made in Soviet bloc enterprises.

This work is not in itself deliberately controversial. It is certain to make controversy, and this should be all to the good in the degree it succeeds in throwing open a new door of debate in matters affecting the fates of nations. We all stand to gain from that.

James Angleton

### **OSS Training Recalled**

History of the Schools and Training Branch, Office of Strategic Services, William L. Cassidy (Editor), San Francisco: Kingfisher Press, 1983, \$45,00

This is a recently declassified true story of the unbelievable job done by General William Donovan and his well chosen aides in setting up schools and training programs for a network of thousands of secret operators throughout the world.

It is even more incredible when it is realized they had no seasoned veterans in their program, no experienced, skillful trainers to form a nucleus for their schools. They did bring a few English Secret Service men who gave them the expertise of their knowledge, but most of the training was accomplished by Americans.

At the insistence of my old friend, Colonel Carl Eifler, I had gathered up a group of ten men, most of whom I had known most of my life, and we were preparing for a mission in the Far East. We went through most of the schools and although a scant few of them seemed a little amateurish to my boys, especially those who had worked as Special Agents with Customs in New York and along the Mexican border, all in all the program was exceptionally good.

The book brought out some nostalgic memories for me and I can highly recommend it, both to OSS veterans and to anyone interested in how a world-wide secret network was put together some 40 years ago. The success of most of the operations proves the training programs paid off and, as AFIO member Bill Cassidy says on the dust-cover, this volume is the only surviving record of the special training programs which spawned the leaders of today's intelligence community.

Lee E. Echols

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# Media Monitor Taplin Scores One for Truth

Media distortion and misinterpretation sometimes seem to be of epidemic proportions. And, many AFIO members are among the first to point it out.

Such was the case of Winn L. Taplin of Stowe, Vermont, after viewing the TV interview of a medical student returned recently from Grenada. In a letter to the station, Taplin challenged the interviewer's bias: "She was quite obviously taking an advocacy role—clearly attempting to lead her subject to condemn the American action in Grenada."

He was pleasantly surprised to hear from the reporter, Sara Matthiessen of WCAX-TV. She wrote, "I agree with your assessment of the piece I did on Mr. Giannelli. Though I was not, in fact, playing an advocacy role, it certainly seemed that way."

"Mr. Giannelli and I had spoken on the telephone the day before the interview. In that conversation he was very assertive and articulate about his feeling that the invasion was justified. The questions I formulated were based on that conversation. My goal was a balanced view, in fact the reverse of the end product: Mr. Giannelli's unalloyed approval of the invasion vs. some difficult questions challenging that view. As sometimes happens, however, his assertiveness died under the lights of the camera. The result was the impression you quite rightly came away with, that I was trying to force his hand."

The reporter told Taplin that she spotted the problem when the interview was aired, and edited the piece for subsequent broadcasts.

#### **OFF-THE-WIRE: News in Brief**

#### Intelligence Assessed

Arnold Beichman, a visiting scholar at the Hoover Institution, in a report assessing the state of U.S. intelligence, credits DCI William J. Casey with having "done the best job of any CIA director in the past decade." According to Beichman, "Under Casey, a number of important steps to rebuild U.S. intelligence have been undertaken under the continuing scrutiny of two congressional select committees on intelligence..." Among the improvements says the writer: increased funding of intelligence, a return to covert action, an increase in the number of national estimates sent to intelligence consumers, returned emphasis on human intelligence resources, and a rebuilding of "perhaps the most important ingredient in the intelligence schema—counterintelligence."

Beichman has harsh words for Casey's predecessor. He charges that former DCI Stansfield Turner "had a low opinion of the agency he was assigned to administer" with the result that "the United States and its allies paid the price of poor intelligence, and, most important, insufficient and even unreliable national estimates . . ." Beichman was critical also of the "revolving door" sequence of appointments of CIA directors Colby, Schlesinger and Bush, which he views as "hardly calculated to restore confidence within the organization." And, of the counterintelligence issue: "The various congressional investigations of CIA and their repercussions within CIA led to a wholesale dismantling of CI a decade ago. Whether or not CI has been successfully rebuilt, no one can really know—probably not even Casey himself—but at least CI reconstruction is under way."

But, Beichman is restrained in measuring the long-term effect of Casey's efforts: "Whether Mr. Casey will ultimately succeed in leaving an imprint is questionable. Except for Mr. Casey and a few others he himself brought in, there have been few changes at the top of the intelligence hierarchy."

#### Critic Views Intelligence

Prof. Harry Howe Ranson of Vanderbilt University, a member of AFIO, offered a contrasting assessment in a book review published in the *New York Times* recently:

"My own view is that the KGB and the CIA have escalated their secret operations—the CIA often aping its adversary—in an action-counteractions process that has overpopulated the world with secret agents. Operations on both sides often appear to be pointless and self-defeating. And the world is less safe as malignant fears have been engendered. If the full story could be known, I believe that many of these secret activities would seem not tales of moral blindness or personal tragedy, but rather scripts for Marx Brothers movies."

#### **Protecting Sources and Methods**

The American Historical Association, which has taken a strong stand on openness and access to documentary materials, has adopted a resolution urging that security classification not be permitted beyond 20 years, "except for documents pertaining to cryptology, intelligence sources and methods and agent operations in regard to which the classification period should not exceed forty years."

In related matters, AHA also urged that implementation of National Security Decision Direction 84 be blocked. It claims that a lifetime publication review obligation for those with access to Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) is a "dangerous threat to historians," and would "choke off the flow of information so vital to an understanding of the nation's history." The historical group has also urged that all records seized by military intelligence on Grenada "be temporarily transferred from all U.S. government agencies now holding them to the National Archives . . . pending their return to Grenada."

#### Grenada and the Bay Of Pigs

Veteran journalist Charles J. V. Murphy, assessing the role of the president as commander-in-chief in a cold war situation, has compared U.S. performance in both the Bay of Pigs and Grenada episodes. Writing recently in the Security and Intelligence Fund newsletter, Situation Report, he quoted The Economist of London: "A great power knows that it is dangerous to be seen to flinch because its assorted enemies around the world take heart and its friends' knees knock," and the influential magazine's crediting of the President with having "rejected the flinch and moved in to achieve a clearly identified and achievable objective" in Grenada.

Citing his own reportorial experiences at the time of the Bay of Pigs, Murphy noted, "The trouble at the Bay of Pigs was that the libretto which the Kennedy men wrote for their Camelot did not call for anyone to reach for Excalibur." According to Murphy, "a strong justification for intervention existed. U.S. intelligence possessed proof that Moscow was moving arms and advisers, both militarily and ideologically, into Cuba," but that the President "was rendered timid at the knife's edge of decision by a fear of the criticism from other American states, as well as our more sensitive allies, which the exposure of the United States' hand was certain to bring."

#### **DeBorchgrave Warns of Cuban Terror**

Writer-correspondent Arnaud DeBorchgrave warned a White House audience recently that the Cuban intelligence service "has built up some formidable assets in the form of front groups" in the United States, and is conducting an "intense active measures campaign" to influence public opinion against U.S. foreign policy, especially toward Central America. "The DGI," he said, "regards internal security in the U.S. as a joke . . Their agents roam the country freely, organizing cells and campaigns against U.S. domestic and foreign policies with total impunity."

He cautioned the White House Outreach Working Group on Central America that Cuban successes have not been limited solely to disinformation campaigns. Citing his debriefing of a Cuban DGI defector, he warned "The DGI has been gradually putting into place in the U.S. a terrorist infrastructure" to foment riots and chaos.

Sadly, the Cubans are not without support here, DeBorchgrave noted, adding that political leaders and journalists have accepted Cuban disinformation, failing to recognize its Soviet and Cuban origins. He also described the case of Rolando Salup, a third secretary to the Cuban mission at the UN who was declared personal non grata last year. Salup, DeBorchgrave said, flew to Washington at least once a week to "avail himself of the offices of a congressman on Capitol Hill as a 'safe house' for meetings with his American contacts and recruited agents."

# **AFIO Chapter Activities**

#### California

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter. Newly-elected chapter officers are: Roger E. McCarthy, president; Col. Edward J. Rudka, SMR, vice president (programs); Harold O. Christensen, vice president (membership); Lt. Janet Aitken, USNR (ret), secretary; and Ricardo Alcantar, treasurer. The chapter's January meeting, cosponsored by ASIS and the SFPD Eight Ball, featured author-journalist Claire Sterling.

San Diego Chapter. Howard L. Abrams, special agent in charge, Naval Investigative Service, was guest speaker at the February meeting. He explained the general mission of the 850 NIS agents stationed at 140 posts around the world, and discussed the San Diego units recent investigations of espionage, fraud and narcotics (400 narcotics arrests in the last year alone). The March meeting featured a visit to the USS Counstellation. The chapter's speakers' program is particularly active. So far this year, Lee Echols has given five talks, Wally Driver has spoken before three groups on terrorism, and Joe Elliot has also joined the speakers' circuit. The chapter is also considering affiliate membership for young people, possibly fostering interest in intelligence careers.

#### Florida

Satellite Chapter. The chapter sponsored an information and membership booth at the annual Retirees Day held in March at Patrick Air Force Base, providing an AFIO presence to an audience estimated at 7,000. Recently elected as officers were: Col. Charles D. Gray (USMC-Ret), president; Col. Charles T. Williamson (USMC-Ret), vice president; Mrs. Eileen W. Gould, secretary. Elected to the board of directors were Raymond J. Brennan, Col. Stone Christopher (USAF-Ret), James M. Griffin, and Col. Paul A. III (AUS-Ret).

#### Hawaii

Diamond Head Chapter. Following last year's successful luncheon meeting with the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council, at which Ambassador Vernon A. Walters, as expected, captured the hearts and minds of the audience, the chapter is looking for more dignitaries "just passing through" who might be available. (Contact chapter secretary-treasurer Ted Beidleman at Wackenhut of Hawaii, 680 Ala Moana Blvd., Suite 301, Honolulu 98813, with any leads.) For its Winter meeting in February, the guest speaker was William C. Ervin, the FBI's local Special Agent in charge, who spoke on the role of the FBI in the intelligence community. Thirty to forty members participate actively in chapter events.

#### Montana

#### Western Montana Chapter

The chapter shared its April meeting with guests from the Western Montana Military Officers' Association, and heard Walt Sedoff describe the various aspects of interrogation of Soviet defectors. The chapter has agreed to purchase a copy of George Constantinides'

### **Chapter Spotlight**

**GULF COAST CHAPTER** 

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Fred Rodell Chapter President



The Gulf Coast Chapter, of which Fred Rodell is president, has been extremely active in sponsoring education programs which generate considerable and favorable press coverage, including TV. One program, for example, featured the Ambassador to the US from El Salvador, and its February meeting hosting author Claire Sterling at the Westin Galleria Hotel had over 400 in attendance. Her speech captured a seven-minute segment on ABC News in Houston, and resulted in many phone calls commending the effort.

Chapter officers have accepted speaking engagements before several Rotary Clubs and The Houstonian, a highly influential community group, and is working with Texas A&M University to sponsor a seminar on terrorism. The chapter has also taken on the task of seeking private sector funding for the event, and has already received favorable response to invitations from the advisor on terrorism to the President of France, Scotland Yard and the Director General of Police, Quebec.

The chapter in on record as offering to sponsor a future AFIO national convention.

[Chapters are invited to submit "focus" summaries of their activities; this was culled from several Gulf Coast Chapter reports.]

intelligence bibliography for presentation to the University of Montana Library, and announces that AFIO wives will be invited to the summer meeting to hear Maj. Gen. Jim Duffy, state Adjutant General, describe the reorganization and revitalization of the Montana State Militia.

The chapter notes that Walt Sedoff is scheduled to deliver five talks in one day to the senior class of the largest high school in Ravalli County. According to Dick Grant, AFIO chairman in Montana, Walt's presentations on the need to protect our nation's intelligence capabilities are "going over big here in Western Montana."

### Notes from the Board Room

Thirteen of the 18 members were present, with those absent represented by proxy, at the AFIO Board of Directors meeting held April 9, 1984, at the Bolling AFB Officers' Club.

The chief topics discussed were the 1984 Convention and the proposed changes in procedures for electing the Board of Directors.

Col. Bruce Baumgardner (USAF-Ret) chairman of the convention committee, briefed the Board on the status of plans for the 1984 Convention (see elsewhere in this issue), noting that negotiations on rooms, meeting facilities, etc., had been firmed up and a contract signed with the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Rockville, Maryland.

Capt. Richard Bates (USN-Ret) discussed the proposed changes in election procedures, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Task Force under Col. Robert Roth (USA-Ret) which had been sent to Board members before the meeting for their review. Capt. Bates stated that changes in the Articles of Incorporation, Resolutions and changes in the By-laws may be required to accomplish this. The Board designated the Executive Committee as the "implementing committee" to prepare a course of action for consideration and decision at the next Board meeting, to be held June 14, 1984, with subsequent announcement to the membership in the next Periscope. The "implementing committee" is to take under consideration recommendations made by the Task Force as well as individual members.

It was also announced that the second pamphlet in the Intelligence Profession Series, "National Security and the First Amendment," by John S. Warner, is at the printer and would be available in about three weeks. The meeting adjourned at 1600 hours. Submitted by Secretary, Charlotta P. Engrav.

#### **New York**

Greater New York Chapter. Veteran journalist Arnaud DeBorchgrave delivered his forthright message about Soviet disinformation to over 100 persons at the February meeting. Bill Hood has assumed the presidency of the chapter and Derek Lee has agreed to serve as first vice president. Ralph Vollono serves as secretary.

#### Pennsylvania

**Keystone Chapter**. Newly elected as officers at the chapter's February meeting are: Terry Foster, president; Pat Stingley, vice president; and William J. Fry as secretary-treasurer. Members of the board of directors are Randy Welch, Dale Hanka, Morris Ragus and Sammy Snider.

#### **Texas**

Lone Star Chapter. At its March meeting, held at the Fort Sam Houston Officers' Club, the chapter elected its new officers for the 1984-85 year: Stanley D. Sagan, president; Joel E. Siskovic, vice president; and William J. Hammond, secretary-treasurer. AFIO member George Kiefer gave new insights in a talk about the Fourth Amendment.

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# AFIO Convention Slated for October 19-20

Col. Bruce K. Baumgardner (USAF-Ret), chairman of the convention committee, has announced that the Crowne Plaza, a Holiday Inn in Rockville, Md., has been selected as the site of AFIO's 10th Annual Convention, to be held October 19 and 20, 1984. According to Baumgardner, he and his committee are planning to make the tenth anniversary event the biggest and best ever, with full details to be published in the next issue of *Periscope* and in special bulletins.



Members of the convention committee are pleased to note that after examining several proposed meeting facilities, they succeeded in securing most reasonable meal prices and favorable room rates (\$55 for a single or double) at the new luxury hotel.

# Mark Flag Day on Calendar The Summer meeting of AFIO will be held on Flog Day: June 14th, at the Belling AFR Officers'

The Summer meeting of AFIO will be held on Flag Day, June 14th, at the Bolling AFB Officers' Club. Further information will be provided in the meeting announcement to be mailed soon.

### From The President's Desk:

Ours is a heterogenous Association whose charm is in the diversity and independent thought of its members, and whose success rests on the relentless, apolitical, objective championing of the national need for a competent intelligence capability. The Board of Directors has the serious responsibility of guiding and directing the effort of the group from one convention to the next, and they weigh these responsibilities most heavily. Please give serious attention to the current articles on our election process. Much study and effort has been made to select a system which is acceptable to all, which is administratable, timely, economical, and which conforms to our founding Articles. Excellent suggestions have been made from conventions' floors and by letter; a Task Force from the former Advisory Council has exhaustively examined alternatives; Dick Bates is doing yeoman (!) work in sifting out the best solution. It's up to you to make it work.

This Easter finds your Capitol boiling with accusations over the CIA role in Nicaragua's coastal waters. Somehow lost in the emotion and the headlines is a single sorry fact, the consequences of which I believe greatly outweigh the good or evil of the mining or the extent of our participation. Were not the details of a highly classified operation consciously (intentionally?) leaked by a government official who has sworn to uphold secrecy, and only by virtue of his oath was he privy to the information he compromised? Pros and cons of the operation aside, and leaving the decision on the appropriate role of the Agency in covert operations to those with the authority to act and the responsibility to answer for their actions, this naked violation of confidentially must be considered a most serious obstacle to the essential trust that must prevail between the Intelligence Community and the Congressional Oversight Committees. Whatever the motivation, if these travesties of sacred trust continue, oversight cannot, will not work.

The public dissection of our innermost secrets must bring joy to the aging occupants of the Kremlin. Certainly they have little else in which to find comfort. Chernenko, having recently wrestled to himself the third crown, of Presidency, has wasted no time in deemphasizing the annoying purge on white-collar crime,

#### Senate Intelligence Committee Treaty Violation Briefing Included With This Issue

The seemingly endless tabulation of Soviet violations and circumventions of arms control treaties drew the attention of the U.S. Senate recently. In a lengthy briefing of both classified and unclassified evidence and analysis, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence gave the issue frightening perspective, noting that U.S. charges against the Soviets "can be demonstrated with hard and often conclusive evidence. Soviet explanations have been incomplete, and often grossly misleading. And the Soviets have refused to stop their most flagrant SALT violations."

The sensitivity of the intelligence information on which the committee's findings are based was emphasized by a rare closed session of the Congress, lasting almost two hours, which followed the unclassified presentation.

A reprint of the important public briefing is included with this bulletin, courtesy of the committee.



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for which his colleagues are obviously relieved. Unchanged is their complete intransigence on arms control, bleating to the world that the status quo ante (Soviets-360; NATO-0) must be re-established before talks will continue.

It's time for them to try a major diversion or distraction, since they haven't been able to shake off the blame for walking away from the negotiating table. May our active colleagues be alert!

We welcome with this edition the new editor of Periscope, Ed Sayle, and express our sincere appreciation for the countless hours of professional work that Harris Greene has devoted. Harris has greatly improved the quality of our publication (members' opinion as well as mine) and presents a fine challenge to Ed to continue the upgrade. Additionally, the entire membership owes thanks to the Advisory Council whose missions have now been performed. They filled a critical need in the growth of our Association, worked unselfishly and arduously on the important areas they addressed, and are responsible for many of the ideas which have now been incorporated into practice.

## **Classified Section**

A new publication, soon to be marketed world-wide, is seeking correspondents/reporters on a full or part-time basis. We are particularly interested in people with middle east and Central-South America experience. A knowledge of and experience with counter-terrorist activity and political and economic problems is desirable. To apply, send a resume and a letter stating your desires, to: Jack E. Stephenson, P.O. Box 3644, Bozeman, Montana 59715.

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